



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**  
**Expedited Examining Procedure**  
**Examining Group 2653**

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 8, 2004, the period for response to which having extended through March 8, 2005, by the request for a three-month extension of time and the corresponding fee filed concurrently herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested to place the application in clear condition for allowance or, alternatively, in better form for appeal.